(b) and (c) IODEX was relicensed as the ingredients of the product are mentioned in "Rasatantra Sara Siddha Prayoga Sangraha" which is an authoritative book on Ayurveda mentioned under Sl. No. 21 of the First Schedule of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.

DABURUB was relicensed as the composition is purely of Ayurvedic raw drugs and recommended by the Ayurvedic expert panel of Uttar Pradesh Government.

In the case of IODEX, the manufacturer has given reference to the Ayurvedic book "Rasa Tantra Sara Siddha Prayoga Sangrah."

In respect of DABURUB, the manufacturer has changed the ingredients in the Ayurvedic formula.

2876. [*Transferred to the 19th December*, 1991]

Treatment of Typhoid

2877. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 29th May, 1991 under the caption "New Typhoid Germs Warring Doctors"; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) and (b) Medical experts of the country have found that Solmonalla Typhi phase Type E-II is a strain of Typhoid germ which is resistant to conventional antibiotics, namely, chloramphanicol. However, this strain is sensitive to Norfloxacin and Ciprofloxacin. The said strain is known to the medical community and is dully covered in the educational courses of the medical colleges. The National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases, Calcutta, has carried out studies on the prevalence of multi-drug resistant enteric fever in hospitals and efficacy of furazolidone against it which are relevant and would help us to tackle the problem more effectively.

मध्य प्रदेश में रसोई गैस के वितरक

2878. श्री राघव जी : क्या पैट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश में कितने ब्लाक विकास मुख्यालयों में अब तक रसोई गैस के वितरकों की नियुक्ति नहीं की गई है ;

(ख) क्या सरकार निकट भविष्य में उन स्थानों में वितरक नियुक्ति करने का विचार रखती है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा रक्षा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री का अतिरिक्त प्रभार (श्री एस. कृष्ण कुमार) : (क) से (ग) उत्पादकी सीमित उपलब्धता के कारण 20,000 और उससे अधिक जनसंख्या (1981 का जनगणना के अनुसार) वाले स्थानों पर वाणिज्य व्यवहार्यता और उत्पाद की उपलब्धता के आधार पर एल.जी.पी. की नयी एजेंसियां चरणों में खोली जाती हैं।

Encephalitis in Deoria District of Uttar Pradesh

2879. CHOWDHRY HARI SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that hundred of persons have died due to encephalitis in Deoria district of Uttar Pradesh in September and October, 1991;

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken to control the spread of the diseases in the above district of Uttar Pradesh; and